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Applicant(s): Andrew H. Cragg, M.D.

Invention: System and Method for Facilitating Hemostasis of Blood Vessel Punctures with Absorbable Sponge

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**AMENDMENT**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.